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SUBJECT: SIMON NUSBAUM & FRANCOIS GENOUD

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1. HOS GREATLY APPRECIATES THE EFFORTS OF IN ARRANGING FOR AND PARTICIPATING
TO MEETINGS WITH SIMON NUSBAUM. IT WAS READILY APPARENT THAT HAS PUT A GRET DEAL OF EFFORT INTO HIS DEBIEFINGS OF NUSBAUM AND THE RESULTS HAVE BEEN IMPRESSIVE. AGAIN, THANKYOU.

2. TO SUM UP, THE INFORMATION NUSBAUM HAD TO PROVIDE WAS ON THE MARK HE IS CORRECT IN HIS ANALYSIS THAT JACQUES ((VERGES)) 
AND HIS ALLEGED FINANCIAL BACKER, FRANCOIS ((GENOUD)) 
ARE LINKED TO TERRORISM, BEGINNING WITH THE NOW DEFUNCT CURIEL APPARATUS. GENOUD'S KNOWN DEFENSE OF PLFP OPERATIVES AND HIS LINKS TO LIBYA (SEE BELOW) ARE FURTHER INDICATIONS OF HIS CONTINUING ASSOCIATION WITH TERRORISM. THIS SAID, OUR KEY PROBLEM RESTS IN PROVING THE CONNECTION OR IN FINDING THE "SMOKING GUN". THEREFORE, WE WILL USE THE INFORMATION IN OUR FILES AS WELL AS THE INFORMATION PROVIDED BY NUSBAUM TO BEGIN TARGETING AGAINST VERGES, GENOUD AND OTHER INDIVIDUALS LINKED TO THESE TO MEN. E ARE ALSO LOOKING INTO AVAILABLE RECORDS ON THE THE FINANCIAL INSTUTITIONS WITH HICH CPOSS BITTE GENOUD IS ASSOCIATED (BANQUE COMERCIALE ARABE AND THE BANQUE POPULAIRE ARABE.) FYI, GENOUD IS ALSO LINKED TO THE HOLDING COMPANY, VALCOMAR S.A., WHICH HE REGISTERED IN SITZERLAND IN 1975, ALLEGEDLY WITH LIBYAN FUNDS.

THE ABOVE SAID, UNFORTUNATELY OUR OPERATIONAL INTERESTS AND THE INTERESTS OF NUSBAUM DO NOT COINCIDE. NUSBAUM IS AXXIOUS TO SEE VERGES DISCRETITED AND TO SEE GENOUD TAKEN TO COURT AND IMPRISONED. OUR PRIMARY INTEREST AT THIS TIME IS IN LOOKING AT THE POSSIBILITIES FOR RUNNING AN OPERATION AGAINST GENOUD DESIGNED TO PENETRATE AND THWART HIS ACTIVITIES. SIMPLY ORKING TOWARD A COURT CASE WOULD NOT BE PRODUCTIVE AT THIS TIME AND IT IS HIGHLY UNLIKELY THAT GENOUD WOULD EVER BE CONBICTED. WE DO NOT MEAN BY THIS TO ASK THAT NUSBAUM REFRAIN FROM HIS OWN EFFORTS. A COURT CASE OR ADDITIONAL PUBLICITY POSSIBLY WOULD UNCOVER ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OF VALUE. PNREADY CANNOT BECOME INVOLVED IN SUCH A VENTURE, HOWEVER, GIVEN THE SOURCING OF MUCH OF OUR INFORMATION, AS WELL AS THE ON-GOING LIBEL CASE WHICH GENOUD HAS AGAINST SEVERAL FRENCH PUBLICATIONS.

3. DURING OUR MEETING WITH NUSBAUM, AND IN THE DETAILED REPORT HE PROVIDED, HE MAKES MENTION OF THE FOLIOWING DOCUMENTS IN HIS POSSESSION. WE OULD APPRECIATE NC/ THESE TO HOS:

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OFFICIAL SWISS GOVERNMENT MEMORANDUM (NOV 85) ON GENOUD

LIST OF FINANCIAL BACKERS FOR GENOUDS BANKING INTERESTS THAT NUSBAUM SAID HE AS TO RECEIVE

IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

4. AS SOON AS WE HAVE COMPLETED OUR FILE REVIEWS, AND SHOULD NUSBAUM ACQUIRE ADDITIONAL DETAILS ON GENOUD, WE ILL BE HAPPY TO MEET WITH HIM AGAIN TO DISCUSS THE CASE. IN THE MEANTIME, REQUEST THAT OUR SINCERE APPRECIATION BE EXPRESSED TO NUSBAUM FOR HIS EFFORTS.

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